

FRENCH PUBLIC DOCUMENTS

BIRTH CERTIFICATE (*Extrait de Naissance*):

1. For persons born in France -- may be obtained from the Office of the Mayor (*La Mairie*) at the place of birth. Address a request for this document in the following format:

Monsieur le Maire
Bureau de l'Etat-Civil
Mairie de Boulogne sur Mer
62200 Boulogne sur Mer, France

2. For French nationals born in a foreign country

Ministère des Affaires Etrangères
Direction des Français à l' Etranger
Service Central de l'Etat-Civil
11, rue Maison Blanche, 44000 Nantes - Tel: 02-51-77-30-30 / 3840
Fax: 02.51.77.36.99

Requests for a birth certificate in either case, A or B above, must include:

- (a) The applicant's full name at the time of birth;
- (b) The date and place of birth;
- (c) Father's full name;
- (d) Mother's full name at the time of the applicant's birth, including maiden name.

The request must be accompanied by a self-addressed stamped envelope. There is no charge for a copy of a birth certificate.

DEATH CERTIFICATE (*Acte de Décès*):

Death certificates are obtained from the Office of the Mayor (*La Mairie*) where the death occurred. The request must include:

- (a) the full name of the deceased;
- (b) and the date and place where the death occurred.

The request must be accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope. There is no charge for a copy of a death certificate.

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE (*Acte de Mariage*)

Marriage certificates are obtained from the Office of the Mayor (La Mairie) of the town where the marriage took place.

The request must include:

- (a) The date and place of the marriage;
- (b) The full names of the two persons involved.

The request must be accompanied by a self-addressed stamped envelope. There is no charge for a copy of a marriage certificate.

DIVORCE CERTIFICATE (*Acte de Divorce*):

Divorce certificates are obtained from the Office of the Mayor (La Mairie) where the divorce took place. The request must include: (a) the date of the divorce; (b) the full names of the two persons involved. The request must be accompanied by a self-addressed stamped envelope. There is no charge for a copy of a divorce certificate.

DIVORCE JUDGMENT (*Jugement de Divorce*):

Divorce judgments are obtained from the *Greffe du Tribunal Civil* where the judgment was pronounced.

Example of address: Paris: Monsieur le Greffier, Tribunal de Grande Instance, 4, boulevard du Palais, 75001 Paris, France

A town outside Paris -- Cherbourg, for example: Monsieur le Greffier, Greffe du Tribunal Civil, 50100 Cherbourg.

The request must include:

- (a) The date of the divorce;
- (b) The full names of the two persons involved.

The request must be accompanied by a self-addressed stamped envelope. There is no charge for a copy of a divorce judgment.

POLICE RECORD (*Extrait de Casier Judiciaire*):

Police certificates can be obtained by any person, regardless of nationality, who has resided in France at any time after the age of 15 years. Police certificates can be obtained from the:

Service du Casier Judiciaire
107 rue du Landreau
44079 Nantes Cedex
Tel: 02 51 89 89 51

The request must include:

- (a) The applicant's full name and any other names (including maiden) by which he or she has been known;
- (b) The date and place of birth;

There is no charge for a copy of a Police Record

Record of Criminal Conviction: copies of any criminal judgments against you are included in the Police Record (*Casier Judiciaire*.) Copies of criminal convictions which have been expunged are not obtainable.

MILITARY RECORD:

Military records for the Army and the Air Force (*Certificat de Position Militaire*) and for the Navy (*Etat Signalétique des Services*) are available to all male French citizens who have attained the age of majority, whether or not military service has been performed. Military records for the Army are obtained from:

Direction du Personnel Militaire de l'Armée de Terre
14 Rue St. Dominique
75997 Paris Armées

Military records for the Air Force are obtained from:

Direction du Personnel Militaire de l'Armée de l'Air
26, Boulevard Victor
75996 Paris

Military records for the Navy are obtained from:

Direction du Personnel Militaire de la Marine
2 Rue Royale
75200 Paris Naval

There is no charge for a copy of a military record. Military records are not available to persons who are not liable for military service in France.

